Monthly Review Business and Financial Conditions by Federal Reserve Board-Price Decline During December Was 8 1-2 Per Cent.-Reduced Business Activity Has Been Accompanied by Wage Cuts, Running as High as 25 Per Cent. in Some Lines-Banking Power Was Well

CONGRESS IS CONFRONTED BY

ing December, according to the month-review of General business and fin-

The decline was reported as most marks the latter products, while coal petroleus, gasoline, parents, brick and coment termin largely unaffected. Some reductions were reported in the coal petroleus, gasoline, parents of commodities, the board salu, but contract prices appeared to be at the same level as in earlier months.

Richard business activity, the board stated, cut operations in many lines from comber of 1919.

## EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS BEING MADE AT FIUME

st, Jan. 2 (By the A. P.).-Ex things of prisoners taken during the lanting at Fiume began today, 163 regulars being surrendered and 100 legionaries being returned to Fiume. Order is being ing returned to Fiume. Order ed by the national council, while he Italian government has offered a spe

The provisional government of Fiume egan the disarmament of the legionaries alay, and the regulars will enter the city poidiers. All the poet's ships will e the harber of Fume tomorrow, and be taken to Pola. Within five days of the poet's troops will remain and truss is the city will be turned over relays of three hundred each on special

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Inder the plan the resources of the unibus would be pooled and a central office staff reated. Harry Gozing, a leader of the workers, presiding, said it was ridiculous that the men should be divided into small unions when the employers were banded into a single great organization. Ernest Bevins, of the dockworkers union, said the estimated membership of the new amalgamation would be a half million.

scheme unites dockworkers, ve workers, stevedores and others but

# ITALIAN PREMIERS TO MEET

stricting in a measure railroad purchases of materials from concerns in which their officers are interested. The bill is lying Jan. 2-The meeting between Presiders Leygues, Lioyd George and Gi-sittl, which has been prominently an-icipated in recent discussions, will be held in Paris next week, Gaulois anunces today. No confirmation was ob-inable at the foreign office. Reports received last Thursday announ-

ed that an early meeting of the French. ich and Italian prime ministers would der to discuss disarmament of Germany, especially is view of the German notes lately expressing some reasonance to the project. It was then stated that the conference would not be held efficer at Nice or Cannes as had been forecast

# REDUCTION OF WAGES BY

RETULEHEM STEEL CO.

Saltimore, Jan. 2.—As 10 to 20 per mt. reduction of wages, affecting all above of employes at the Sparrows Point tant of the Bethlebem Steel company, as announced last night. The decrease ctive Jan. 16, and is said by comofficials to be due to "business conral thousand men will be affected.

The company employs in normal times to the company employs in normal times 5,000 to 6,000 men, although the working forus has been reduced somewhat in the last six weeks.

No notice of an impending reduction in wares of employes of the Bethlehem Shipbullding corporation had been received last night, and none was known to be contemplated.

# HAVE STUDIED SLEEPING

SICKNES IN THE CONGO Jan. 2 .- Dr. Louise Pearce Brussels, Jan. 2.—Dr. Louise Pearce and Miss Elizabeth Bowen of New York have returned here after six months study of the sleeping sickness in the Congo. They were received by the queen today. During their stay in the Congo they made a practical test of a new remedy which it is hoped will greatly diminish the fatalities from this disease.

# MPROVEMENT IN CONDITION

re, Jan. 2-Cardinal Gibbons Institute of Mitchell, Decatur and Grady counties who were hunting him in consatisfied native leaders were said to make it inadvisable to expose the prince to 
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year the free or in the short of the said of the marker of Mitchell, Decatur and Grady 
counties who were hunting him in connection with the shooting Saturday of 
Jason Harrell, white farmer. Harrell is 
still alive in a hospital at Pelham, but 
has friend Robert T. Shriver at Union 
Turkish treaty to be an attack on their 
religion and its been.

# Missing Navy Balloon and Men are Safe

Naval Air Station Informed That They Are at a Hudson Bay Trading Post.

Rockaway, N. Y., Jan. 2.—The missing navy balloon A-5588 landed 20 miles northeast of Monre Factory, Ontario, December 14 and the crew of three men is safe at a Hudson Bay Irading post, according to a telegram received at the naval air station here to-night.

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N. Y., Jan. 2-Moose Factory, where

Maintained.

Washington, Jan. 2.—Further decline prices companied the country's content process in business readjustment ing December, according to the month review of General business and final conditions issued tonight by the rail reserve board.

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the New Yorw district together with the
sharpest price declines of the present
movement, reduced manufacturing volume
an dexport trade, but an adequate supply
of banking accommodations.

The Philadelphia district reported litwill take about nine days. Leaving here Monday. December 21." The A-5598 left here wiortly after noon Monday, December 12. No definite destination was planned, out the pre-vailing wind blowing northwest indicated a landing somewhere in Canada. With the exception of a report that the baloon was seen passing over Wells, New York, lafe that same right, no definite word was received here of the progress of the

flight.

The balloon carried a crew of three men. Lieutenant Walter Hinton, of Belle Harbor, New York, a pilot under Commander Albert C. Read, on the NC-A FORMIDABLE PROGRAM I's trans-Atlantic flight, was in His companions were Lieutenants Steph en A. Farrell, a line officer, of this city, and Louis A. Kloor, Jr., of New Orleans.

working days remaining before sine dia adjournment, March 3. Congestion, as usual, is on the senate side, house activities being concentrated on completion of the annual appropriation bills, with the sundry call budget under debate and the post office bill on the waiting list.

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Tarif revision is to be an important matten this week before both senate and house. Senator Penrose, of Pennsylvania, chairman of the senate finance committee, plans to return to the senate tomorrow after a year's absence, and with members of his committee begin consideration of the emergency tariff bill passed revently by the house ware first fill passed revently by the house ways and means committee and confinue indefinitely.

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Open hearings by the committee are not contemplated and early action is expected.

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Emergency immigration legislation is to be taken up to mixture which will begin learnings in the house bill to prohibit virtually all immigration for ten months. The committee, which will begin learnings in the house bill to prohibit virtually all immigration for ten months. The committee has a long list of witnesses, but plans to conclude its hearings within a week or ten days. It has pending several bills to establish percentage reductions in immigration as a substitute for complete prohibition.

Early disposal is planned by the senate of the presidential veto last week of the bill to suspend operation of that portion of the Clayton anti-trust law restricting in a measure railroad purchases

# WILL NOT REMAIN IN ITALY

officers are interested. The bill is lying on the vice president's desk and Senator Lafoletic, republican, Wisconsin, and other opponents are prepared for a vigorous foray when the veto message is taken up.

Another spirited senate struggle, sate tentatively for Monday January 10, is brewing over the Poindexter anti-strike bill which passed the senate without debate and with only a few senators present. Senator Lafoliette expects to call up his motion for reconsideration a week from tomorrow.

Inquiry into coal prices is to be resumed this week by the reconstruction rommittee headed by Senator Calder, republican, New York, alleged profits of government officials in coal sales to the army, shipping Board and othe agencies

government officials in coal sales to the army, shipping Board and othe agencies are to be under special investigation.

Development of the government nitrate plant at Muscle Shoals, Alamaba, promises lively denate this week in both branches of congress in connection with the pending senate bill proposing a government corporation to coperate the plant Soldiers' bonus legislation is to be given further consideration this week by the senate finance committee, More hearings are to be held and opponents given an opportunity to testify.

The recount of votes in the Michigan outside Armenia.

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The boundaries favored by President senatorial coutes: between Senator New-berry and Henry Foard will be begun on Tuesday by the senate privileges and election committee with a prospect of several weeks' work.

The boundaries favored by President Wison, who recently accepted the posi-tion of mediator, are not yet known here.

## FINANCIAL CRISIS IN BARCELONIA ALLAYED INDIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS

an opportunity to testify.

The recount of votes in the Michigan

ections of the natives and the anti-British propaganda carried on by dis-satisfied native leaders were said to make

IN SYMPATHY WITH IRISH

Nagpur, India, Jan. 2—A beycott on the proposed visit of the Duke of Connaught to the east and a tribute to the memory of the late Lord Mayor of Cork were voted in resolutions adopted by the Indian national congress in section. by the Indian national congress in session here. A message of sympathy to the irish in their struggle for independence also was drafted and dispatched.

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A royal proclamation to india, issued in London last August, said the Princ of Wales would not visit India this winter to inaugurate reform legislation but that the Duke of Connaught, former governor-general of Canada, would undertake these duties.

The condition of unrest among certain sections of the natives and the anti-BY FARMERS IN GEORGIA Camilla, Ga., Jan. 2.-Jim Roland, negro, was shot to death last night by farmers of Mitchell, Decatur and Grady counties who were hunting him in con-

Benjamin Vergilin's general stere 383 Newell street, Pittsfield, Mass., wrecked by a dynamite explosion.

Automobile secidents in Verment reached a total of 2100 for the year 1920, and there were 30 resulting fatalities. Marshal Foch has submitted to the

council of ambassadors his report on the progress by Germany toward disarma-The wreek of the Danish freightes Kentucky on Duncansby Head in the Ork-ncy Islands was reported to the agents of

Half of the city of East Chicago, Indi-ana, was under quarantine as the result of an epidemic of smailpox. Seventy-four

A penal statute for the enforcement of the woman's suffrage amendment, to the constitution is proposed in a bill introduc-ed by Senator Jones.

Cash dividends distributed in the final quarter by 27 cotton mill corporations of Fall River amounted to \$1,522,035, an average of 2.7 per cent.

R. C. Bryant, professor of lumbering Yale school of forestry, has been re-elect-ed president of the Society of American Foresters for the year 1921.

Communism will be suppressed and communistic propaganda prevented in Jugoslavia until vote has been taken in the constituent assembly.

entire stock of the Evening Gazette and will consolidate the two papers with the

J. O. Russell, an express messenger, was burned to death in a fire which de-stroyed the Mansion hotel, Fort Worth, Tex., a landmark of frontier days.

An uniquatified man entered the Fee-ple's Bank at Springfield, Tenn., and mak-ing his way unobserved to the bank vault, helped nimself to \$50,000 in bonds.

Marked progress in the development of protection die industry is anown in a report made public by the United in States tariff commission. The League of Women Veters, ergan-ized in Chicago a 100 ago, will hold in second annual convention in Cleveland

General Robert Georges Nivelle, de-fender of Verdun, placed a wreath on the grave of Theodore Roosevell' at Orster Bay, N. Y

The extent to which emigration has gon in the past year was indicated with an-nouncement that there had been an in-crease in passports of 180 per cent, issued at Boston.

Premier Lloyd George, speaking in the house of commons said he was apposed to hasty action in altering the treaty of Severes in favor of the Turks, as against the Greeks.

Only two bids were aubmitted for the purchase of the comfortable, six-room lighthouse keeper's dwelling that perches on Egg Rock at the entrance of Nahant light Mars.

The Western Union Telegraph com-pany was ordered by the interastate com-merce commission to extend credit for toils on messages transferred to it from the Postal Telegraph Co.

Lieutenant Governor Channing H. Coz. governor-elect of Massachusetts stopped a pair of runaway horses in Peston a short distance from a group of children who stood terror-stricken in their path.

Gas exaping from a street main en-tered a six-family tenement house on Blekford street in the Roschury district. Boston, six persons were prostrated and a store of others affected by the fulnes.

Colonel Spivester B. Partiett, aged 18, died of heart disease on a street car at Quincy, Ills. He had been connected with the United States fisheries commission sinc 1877 and was a veteras of the Civil war.

The Central Maine Pawer rempallay, was nathorized by the public attilisies commission to take over eight electric light and power companies having a combined capitalization of more than \$2,000,000.

The Pennsylvania railroad annumered that it has concluded a mutual working agreement with the representatives of its engine and train services employer regarding the settlement of future inbordifferences. differences.

Canadian Northwest Mounted Palice are still accurring the Canadian news woods for a trace of the American naval balloon A-5598 which has been missing from the Rockhway air station since Dec.

Lord Chainers, a former efficial of the British treasury, has been selected by the British government to arrange details with treasury officials in Washington regarding the refunding of the British war debt to America.

Twenty-one cetton mills in Speciasburg county, South Carolina, having a total capital stock of \$3,505,500 on January last, have paid stock dividends amounting to \$5,055,000 and cash dividends amounting to \$2,184,048,50 during the

# No Cessation of Violence in Ireland

# The North Brooksold Journal ope at Police Are Retaliating Am-

Dublin, Jan. 2.—(By the A. P.)—Constable and a civilian were killed and at least five other persons were wounded in a disturbance last night at Ballybay. County Monaghan. The fighting commenced when a police patrol of four men was fired on. Two of them being wounded. Three men coming to their assistance also were fired on, resulting in the death of Constable Malone and the wounding of another policeman. In a continuation of the fight one civilian was killed and several wounded.

Elaborate preparations had been made for an atfack of the police barracks, trenches having been gut in surrounding roads, trees felled and stone barriers erected. A military detachment was despatched from Dundalk as a relief party, but was held up by blocked roads and obliged to walk a part of the journey, delaying their arrival until this morning. At Listowel, County Kerry, the martial taw area, crows forces were fired on by civilians while arresting men wanted. They returned the fire, killing one and wounding two who were captured and sent to a hospital.

## MRS. DE VALERA DECLINES TO ANSWEB QUESTIONS

Dublin, Jan. 2 .- Mrs. De Valera refuses of mystery, is in Ireland. Questioned by The Associated Press today, she merely smilled and shook her head.
"I agreed when I left New York," she explained, "not to say anything to news-papermen."

Asked if it was true that Professor De-Valera had sent her a postcard announc-ing his arrival, he replied: "I would rather not answer that question."

The correspondent found Mrs. De-Valera in a big red stucco house among the handsome villas occupied by retired Dublin merchants in the fashionable summer seaside resort, Greystones, twensummer scanide resort, Greystones, twen-ty inlies from Dublin. She had just returned from a walk with

six children and appeared to be in radi-ant spirits, indicating that she felt no anxiety for her husband's safety. She to the United States, as she described it, saying: "I became quickly attached to your people. I have never met any people more generous and kindly. Please remember me to the home of the free."

Dublin Castle today continued to deny all knowledge of De Valera. The view of the officials seems to be that if he is really here he has come for the purpose of unravelling Ireland's froubles, not to all the campates of the Sinn Fein militiants. It is admitted that, though he may have best some prestige in consequence of his long stay in the United States, he still wields great power over the Irish people, and it is though there will be so objection to meetings of the

## MUST BEPORT POSSESSION OF ABMS AND AMMUNITION

Cork, Jan. 1:-(By the A. P.)-Any person knowing ciners to possess arms or person knowing Giners to possess arms or ammunition must report the fact immediately of render themselves liable to prosecution, Major General Sir Edward Strickland, commanding the troops in Munster announced today in a notice issued here. It is also forbidden to assist rebels in any way, by providing them with food, clothing, vehicles or shelter. The order is effective Tuesday. The people are warned that they must

purchase of the comfortable, six-room lighthouse keeper's dwelling that Perches on Eng Rock at the entrance of Nahart Bay, Mass.

Prior te a banquet given by acting Foreign Minister Torello, the American secretary of state, Brainbridgo Colly, spent Sunday quietly at his hotel in Buenos Aires.

No mere Sunday funerals will be held in McKeesport, Pa. if a movement may be punishable it declares that persons who do not do their utmost to prevent darmase to go overnment property will be dealt muched by the McKeesport Ministerial Association is approved by residents of the police inspector is banned and the use of wireless or carrier pigeons. Hearry Cutbill the "Gying parior" was appointed captain of the Boston A. A track team succeeding Tom Heilpin wice has hung up his running shoes after a decade of competition.

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The notice issued today is in addition to a proclamation recently announced recipient of the Cocupants of house affect and produced captain of the Boston A. A track team succeeding Tom Heilpin wice has hung up his running shoes after a decade of competition.

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Appearance before a military court is allient the nonice states, adding that an attitude of neutrality inconsistent with with the position of the locality is punishable it declares that persons who do not do their utmost to prevent darmatic of the trade blockade of Russia, the trade blockade of Russia of the protest and an attitude of neutrality inconsistent the tr

# MILITARY NEAR CORK

Cork, Jan. 2.- By the A. P.)-Seven houses in nearby towns and their con-tens were burned by the military las-night as a result of an ambush of the police near Middleton, it was announced here today. The story of the incident was related in a statement issend this morning by the military authorities in

"As a result of an ambush on the po-lice at Midleton and hear Globehouse," it stated, "the military governor decided that certain houses in the vinicinity of the ourage should be destroyed as the inhabitants were bound to have known something of the ambush. Each resident was given an hour to remove valuable but not furniture and the houses were then destroyed. Nothing apart from the houses and the furniture was destroyed."

BUBNING REPRISAL FOR

## ABUSH OF POLICE Dublin, Jan. 2 .- A general headquart-

Dublin, Jan. 2.—A general headquarters report today, the first communication of its kind ever issued, explains that the burnings at Midleton and near Glenhouse were the result of an ambush of a police patrol in Midleton by armed of villans last. Wednesday night, when one policeman was killed and eight others wounded, two of three died.

The report points to the formal adoption of punishment by burning in cases where householders are believed to have knowledge of attacks on police or soldiers.

# TO ANE INVESTIGATION OF

Afbany, N. Y. Jr. 2—Portaring the decent element of New York city at the greater city atministration, Senator Theodore Douglas Robinson of Herkimer and Assemblyman Joseph Steinberg of New York both republicans, announced tonight they propose to ask the legislative when it convenes next Wednesday, to make such an inquiry.

In the statement prepared by the two members of the legislature the charks was made that the city was "suffering from the probably the worst and most corrupt administration in its history."

Paris, Jan. 2—Pourteen persons were killed, 2000 injured and 10,000 rendered homeless by an earthquake which nearly obliterated the city of Elbassan, Albania, according to an undated despatch received here today from the American Red Cross at Tirana.

The only Americans in the city were two Junior Red Cross nurses, Miss Norah Ruddy of St. Louis and Miss Winifred Warren of Chicago. Both were reported as fe. They immediately took charge of relief work and the American Red Cross is sending supplies from the Adriatic const. The organization also is furnishing tents which are drigantly needed because of the severe weatler.

Originator of the Famous Reference to Treaty With Belgium as a "Scrap of Paper"-Had Asked the Allied and Associated Powers to Place Him on Trial Instead of the Former Kaiser-Was Forced Out of Office by Militarists, Headed by Hindenburg and Ludendorff.

Berlin, Jan. 2.—Dr. Theobald Von dank, which would prove fata.

Bethmann-Hollweg, former German imperial chancellor, died last night after a protests of the Luxembourg and Heighun brief illness on his estate at Hoheninow, governments. We shall try to make good near Berlin.

Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg was apparently in good health until Wednesday. He spent Christmas as usual with his family, but contracted a cold which develo a 1 y, but contracted a cold which develop a nto acute pneumonia. His condition be-ame steadily worse and his private phy-ician was summoned from Berlin but the ormer chancellor had already become un-

ann-Hollweg was seen walking in Unter mann-Hollweg was seen walking in Unter
Den Linden, but the once stalwart figure
was no longer upright. Few pedestrians
recognized in the stooped figure and careworn face the former imperial chancellor.
Von Bethmann-Hollweg recently concluded the revision of the final proofs of
the second volume of his war diary,
which is announced for early publication.

Among the latest prominent activities of Dr. Won Bethmann-Hollweg in interna-tional affairs and German national life efore national assembly com-estigating responsibility for His testimony brought out that he had originally opposed the submarine warfare and had issued warnings not to underestimate America's strength in the con-

gium.
"I found the chancellor very much agi-tated," said Sir Edward afterwards, writ-ing of the interview. "His excellency at heran a harangue which lasted

derateod the chanceholds inability to comprehend the British action, but that Great Britain attached importance to the "scrap of paper" because it bore her signature as well as that of Germany.

to enter Belgium territory." he said on Aug. 4, 1914. "That is contrary to inter-national law. We know, however, that

as our military goal has been reached."
Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg was chancellor of Germany from July 14, 1905, to

July 14, 1917. He was succeeded in the office by Dr. George Michaelis, an appointee of the former kaiser. It was said came steadily worse and his private physician was summoned from Berlin but the former chancellor had already become unconscious and never regained consciousness, dying late Saturday night.

His wife died in 1914 and he lost his eldest son in the war. He is survived by a daughter, Countess Zech, wife of the secretary of the Prussian legation at Munich, and a son, Felix, a student at Berlin.

On the last of his frequent visits to Berlin, in mid-November, Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg was seen walking in Unter bid.

Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg received prominent attention throughout the world in June, 1915, when he formally asked the allied and associated powers to piace him on tria linstead of the former kaisw. The supreme council decided to ignore his request. 75 was often mentioned as among those who might be tried by the allies for political offenses in connection

with the origin of the war.

His national activities before 1914 were marked by his strong opposition to democratization of Germany. At times he was sharply outspoken in his defiance of socialism and he rejected any move to make ure of his peace efforts in Dece that he endorsed unlimited

warfare.
Dr. Von Bethimain-Hollweg was born in 1856, the son of Maihias A. Ven Beth-Jewish banking family of Von Bethmann of Frankfort. He was educated at the Pforta gymnasium and at the universities of Strasburg, Leipsic and Berlin. Entering the Primian administrative service in 1832, he rase to the position of president of the province of Brandenburg in 1893. In 1805 he was appointed Prussian minister of the interior and two years later became imperial secretary of the interior and vice president of the Prussian ministry of state, of which the chancellor was try of state, of which the chancellor was

national law. We know, however, that Prance was ready to invade Belgium. France could wait; we could not, as France could invade our lower Rhine Berlin, where his death accounts for the country of the

Mrs. Harriet Stanton Blatch, of the emergency committee and William H. Johnston of the International Association

of Machinsts were speakers.
"Complete and unrestricted" relations
with Russia, removal of all obstacles to
trade with her, the establishment of cable, post and wireless communication and the right to travel between the United States and Russia were demanded the resolutions.

## HADRING TALKED OVER CARINET APPOINTMENTS

Marlon, O., Jan. E .- Cabinet appointments were talked over by President-elect Harding again today in a long conference with Harry M. Daugherty, of Columbus, his pre-convention manager and one of his principal advisers in shaping the pol-

icles of his admanistration.

No announcement was quide, and there was nothing to indicate how soon definite selections to Mr. Harding's official family would be made. The general indica-tion here has been that the names of two or three of the cabinet members would be made known very early in the

## FOURTEEN PERSONS KILLED BY EARTHQUAKE IN ALBANIA

Paris, Jan. 2.- Fourteen persons were

## EXPORTS VALUED AT \$8,119,586,684 TROUGH PORT OF NEW YORK

the report of New York during the past

the report of New York during the past year bound for foreign markets. During the same period imports valued at \$2,533,-384,471 arrived in this port for distribu-tion over the United States. A comparison of the figures of 1918 shows that the export trade showed a decrease of approximately \$231,000,000 while the import trade increased \$868,-000,000.

tal of \$117,975,916 in 1919, were shad-ed down to \$81,965,715 during the past Gold and silver imports in 1920 oclipsed

Gold and silver imports in 1920 eclipsed the 1919 record over ten-fold, the figures being, 1920, \$343,293,616 against \$22,-839,216 in the year 1919. Foreign commerce yielded duties in 1920 which totaled \$223,686,570, which registers a substantial gain over the col-lections in 1919, which amounted to \$172,-279,527. Miscellaneous custom house re-ceipts aggregated \$4,682,596. In the past year as compared with \$1,649,333 of the preceding year.

## MARSHAL FOCH REPORTS ON GERMANY'S DISARMAMENT

Paris, Jon. 2.-Marshal Foch's report on Germany's disarmament, according to the Temps, says that the Germans have surrendered 41,000 cannon, 23,000 un-mounted cannon barrels, 183,000 machine mounted canfon barrels, 183,000 machine guns and barrels, 2,800,000 rifles, 16,000 airplanes and 25,000 airplane motors.

The German delinquencies in executing the disarmament clauses of the treaty and the Spa agreement are said to be principally the maintenance of civic guards in Bavaria and Eastern Prussia, the organization of security police and failure to destroy the required amount of artillery in the castern and southern frontier forfresses.

tier fortresses.

The report recites the details of the Germans' request that they be allowed a retain \$41 cannon in the fortresses, but the allies have approved the retention of only 26 guns at Koenisberg, 36 at Pillau and 32 at Sinemuende.

# COMING ELECTIONS IN CUBA

Washington, Jan. 2.- Expectation that Washington, Jan 2.—Expectation that the United States will grant their request that it supervise the forthcoming by-elections in Cuba to prevent a repetition of the "scandalous intimidations in the presidential election" of last November was expressed in a joint statement lessed here today by Dr. Fernando Ortiz, vice president of the Cuban house of repersentatives, and Dr. Julio De La Torro, prominent attorney of Havana, both members of the Cuban liberal party.

The present Cuban administration, the statement axid, "cannot be trusted" in its promises to the Cuban people of a fair and just election, adding that their "effective sovereignty" could be guaranted

reted fective sovereignty could be guaranteed only by electoral supervision by this country. This was declared to be essential also to the "uniangling of Cuba's chaotic financial affairs," as establishment of a settled political state would insure the success of negotiations for a foreign lean.